

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Confirmation No.: 1752  
TANAKA, Yoshimasa et al Art Unit: 1793  
S. N. 10/569,001 Examiner: Scott R. Castler  
Filed: February 17, 2006  
For: HEAT TREATING DEVICE AND HEAT TREATING METHOD

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the office action dated December 3, 2008, for which a three month extension of time is requested to extend the period for response to June 3, 2009, please make the following amendments:

Claim amendments begin on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this document.